

City Council Transportation Subcommittee *Meeting Minutes*

Date/Time: Thursday, August 25, 2005

Where: Milpitas City Hall, Committee Conference Room

Attendants: Mayor Jose Esteves, Vice Mayor Armando Gomez, Greg Armendariz, Janice Nadal, Joe Oliva, Jaime Rodriguez

1. Call to Order

- The Transportation Subcommittee (Subcommittee) meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Forum

- *Rob Means, 1421 Yellowstone.* Mr. Means shared a news article on Governor Schwarzenegger's plan for California to be a leader in the fight against global warming since there are already different countries implementing the "Kyoto Protocol". Mr. Means states from this article, he feels it is politically "cool" to encourage and look at alternate options such as in transportation.
- *Dave Richerson, 1920 Yosemite Drive.* Mr. Richerson stated the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) is continuing on the Value Engineering (VE) process for the BART extension to Milpitas, San Jose, and Santa Clara. Mr. Richerson stated, these decisions made during the next 6 months will affect the valley for the next 60 years. He stresses it is important the City of Milpitas makes sure the interests of the community are served. There are impacts that will affect Milpitas especially the south end of the City near the old Jones Chemical site. Mr. Richerson suggests the City keep VTA aware of these impacts and compensated.
- *Ed Connor, 1515 N. Milpitas Blvd.* Mr. Connor shared that in other parts of the country, architects create land use to support transit hubs and airport facilities. Mr. Connor suggests that any transportation <the City> puts in has direct route to the airport.

4. Approval of May Meeting Minutes*

- The Transportation Subcommittee approved the May meeting minutes. M/S Gomez/Esteves

5. Main Street/Abel Street Speed Surveys*

- City staff Jaime Rodriguez shared a PowerPoint presentation on reconfiguring the speed zones on Main Street.
- There are 4 speed zone segments along Main Street:
 - Railroad Court to Carlo Street- 30 mph
 - Carlo Street to Corning Avenue- 30 mph
 - Corning Avenue to Cedar Way- 40 mph
 - Cedar Way to Montague Expressway- 40 mph

- The City is required to conduct speed surveys for any street that has a posted speed limit in order for that speed to be enforced. Based on Traffic Engineering's surveys, Mr. Rodriguez proposes the following revised 4 speed zones:
 - Railroad Court to Carlo Street- 30mph
 - Carlo Street to Curtis Avenue- 30 mph
 - Curtis Avenue to Abel Street- 35 mph
 - Abel Street to Montague Expressway- 35 mph
- The new speed zones would accommodate future development in the Midtown Area and the South Main Street area.
- **RECOMMENDATION**
 - City staff is requesting a recommendation to the City Council to: adopt Traffic Ordinance 43.201- Amendment to the Traffic Code to Change the Speed Zone Boundaries and Speed Limits on Main Street between Railroad Court and Montague Expressway.
 - *The Transportation Subcommittee approved the recommendation to the City Council.*

6. South Main Street Median Concept

- City Staff Jaime Rodriguez presented the Main Street Median Concept.
- A draft conceptual median plan was shared with the Subcommittee on Main Street between Montague Expressway and Great Mall Parkway
- The purpose of the concept is to prepare for new development within the area and possibly assess a fair-share contribution from developers.
- Staff is requesting the following steps for a Feasibility Study:
 - Conceptual Study- budget \$100-\$200,000
 - Development of plan line- a technically oriented drawing with access points.
- **RECOMMENDATION**
 - City staff is requesting a recommendation to the City Council to: create a new Capitol Improvement Project (CIP) to conduct a Feasibility Study and Plan Line for Median Islands on S. Main Street between Abel Street and Montague Expressway and Abel Street between Main Street and Capitol Avenue.
 - *The Transportation Subcommittee approved the recommendation to the City Council.*

7. Citywide Resurfacing Project

- City Staff Greg Armendariz shared a Powerpoint presentation on the existing Resurfacing Program and recommendation
- The City of Milpitas street network is 121 miles, with 63 miles for residential streets, 25 miles for arterials, 19 miles for collectors, and 14 miles for other classification.
- The pavement evaluation method is divided into 6 geographical areas. Two areas per year are visually inspected. Every 3 years, every street is inspected within the City of Milpitas. Overall there are 1,261 pavement sections. The City uses the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Pavement Condition Index (PCI) rating from 0 to 100, 0 being undriveable, and 100 bring a new road. The average PCI for Milpitas is 75.
- The City receives \$1.2 million in gas tax revenue. Of that revenue, \$500,000 is allotted to the Resurfacing Program. The other portion goes to Public Works Maintenance for street light maintenance, striping, signage and street tree programs.

Grant funding also assists with the cost, and redevelopment funds have been used in the past for certain parts of the City such as the Midtown area.

- Mr. Armendariz shared the following annual expenses totaling \$1 million. The expenses are divided below:
 - Pothole Repair- \$300,000
 - Resurfacing- \$600,000
 - Slurry- \$100,000
- Mr. Armendariz stated the deterioration of streets is occurring faster than the annual budget of \$1M. Mr. Armendariz shared the budget per year, should the City wish to maintain the streets as is, or increase the budget for increased maintenance.
- RECOMMENDATION
 - Staff requests to continue pursuing outside funding sources for the program.
 - Due to availability of time and request for more information, the Subcommittee requested to continue this discussion at the next Subcommittee meeting in September.

8. Other Business

There was no other business discussed.

9. Set Time and Date for Next Meeting- Thursday, September 29, 2005, 5:30 pm

10. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.